

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 and 11-16 have been canceled to allow prosecution of claim 10 and newly added claims 17-19 are patterned after claim 10. No new matter has been added.

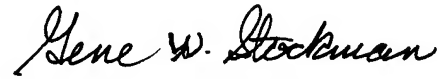
Claim 10 has been amended to be in independent form. Claim 10 as originally filed was dependent from claim 1. Original claim 10 recited, in part "a spray water supply path through which spray water is led from an external source outside in said spray apparatus." This specific structure of spray water being provided from an external source outside the system is not specifically shown in the drawings. This feature, however, is described on page 20, line 25 through page 21, line 10 and at page 44, lines 9-11 as well as in original claim 10.

Being filed concurrently herewith is a letter requesting approval of the addition of Fig. 3A to the drawings in which an external source outside the system is shown for adding water thereto. Fig. 3A is a modification of original Fig. 3. Since the structure of Fig. 3A is clearly described in the specification and in the original claim 10, it is submitted that the addition of Fig. 3A does not constitute new matter but merely adds a new drawing to show that which is specifically described in the specification.

The specification has been amended on pages 18 and 21 to describe Fig. 3A.

Early and favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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